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BULLETIN OF THE MONTH

"How To Build A Farm Pond"

Leaflet 259

Properly planned and constructed farm ponds can be a valuable asset to any farm. They can supply water for fire protection, orchard and garden spray, fish production, recreation, and waterfowl and other wildlife. This leaflet explains how to build and maintain a good farm pond, formed by an earthen dam. The recommendations are for ponds that have small watersheds of less than 30 acres.

FARMERS' BULLETINS

Tobacco culture. W. W. Garner. Bureau of Plant Industry. Soils, and Agricultural Engineering. 29 p., illus. (F 571, rev.) Price 10¢.

This revised publication gives varieties of tobacco seed, methods of growing seedlings, transplanting, fertilizing, cultivating, caring for, and harvesting the crop in each of the more important tobacco-growing regions.

Fire safeguards for the farm. Ralph R. Botts. Bureau of Agricultural Economics. 32 p., illus. (F 1643, rev.) Price 15¢.

How to lessen or avoid fire hazards on farms; how an individual farmer can reduce the probability of serious fire losses by using simple home equipment to put out a fire in its beginning stage; the need for organized and well-equipped rural fire departments and how this need has been met in many rural communities are some of the points brought out in this revised bulletin.

Grading dressed turkeys. Production and Marketing Administration. 32 p., illus. (F 1815, rev.) Price 10¢.

Producers, dealers and consumers should benefit by this revised bulletin which attempts to point out by description and illustrations the important factors involved in grading dressed turkeys.

Rural library service. Bureau of Agricultural Economics. [33] p., illus. (F. 1847, rev.) Price 15¢.

Believing that access to good reading materials is essential to rural progress, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics asked the American Library Association to cooperate in the preparation of this bulletin, which describes some of the rural library services now at work and suggests how rural communities and farm families who are without such services can help get them for their people. That Association also cooperated in making this revision.

LEAFLETS

How to build a farm pond. Walter S. Atkinson. Soil Conservation Service. 8 p., illus. (L 259.) Price 5¢. *See* above.

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Know your butter grades. Production and Marketing Administration. Folder. (L 264.) Price 5¢.

Every carton of butter stamped with the shield-shaped emblem of the Federal butter grading service is packed with quality butter, tasted and tested by expert Government butter graders. Descriptions of the grade terms and what they represent to the purchaser are presented.

CIRCULARS

Alfalfa weevil distribution and crop damage in the United States. J. C. Hamlin, W. C. McDuffie, and F. V. Lieberman. Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine. 21 p. (C 815.) Price 10¢.

This circular presents available information on the areas in which the alfalfa weevil has been found, a history of the injury, and an appraisal of the damage in the more important agricultural sections of the infested areas. The data presented will be of interest to those engaged in research affecting alfalfa hay and seed production, to State regulatory officials, and to agricultural extension workers.

Farm mortgage interest charges and interest rates, 1940–48. Sarah L. Yarnall. Bureau of Agricultural Economics. 30 p., illus. (C 821.) Price 10¢.

Trends in interest charges and interest rates of outstanding farm-mortgage debt are summarized.

Experiments in rearing calves without whole milk and with limited amounts of skim milk. Henry T. Converse. Bureau of Dairy Industry. 31 p., illus. (C 822.) Price 10¢.

The purpose of this publication is to report the results of experiments by the Bureau of Dairy Industry, in which calves have been reared satisfactorily without whole milk and with limited amounts of skim milk.

MISCELLANEOUS PUBLICATIONS

Your farmhouse . . . heating. Harry L. Garver. Bureau of Plant Industry, Soils, and Agricultural Engineering. 24 p., illus. (M 689.) Price 15¢. **FOR SALE ONLY.**[1]

Types of heating systems as well as fuels and burners for more efficient economical heating of the farm home are given.

Grain production and marketing. G. A. Collier. Production and Marketing Administration. 78 p., illus. (M 692.) Price 25¢.

Production, harvesting, marketing, and utilization of the bread grains, wheat and rye, and the feed grains, corn, oats, barley, and grain sorghums are the factors described.

Using credit to finance farmhouse improvements. Lucile W. Reynolds. Bureau of Human Nutrition and Home Economics. 13 p., illus. (M 701.) Price 10¢.

This publication is written for extension agents, teachers, and others who work with farm families. It presents factual information concerning credit sources available to farm families for financing farmhouse improvements and lists some questions for families to consider in planning for credit. Some of the suggestions are equally important to the families that are paying cash for their housing improvements.

SERVICE AND REGULATORY MATERIAL

Service and regulatory announcements. Bureau of Animal Industry. October 1949. Pp. 129–138. (SRA–BAI 510.) Price 5¢ a copy, 50¢ a year, domestic; 70¢ a year, foreign.[1]

TECHNICAL BULLETINS

Weight and capacity of the dairy cow udder in relation to producing ability, age, and stage of lactation. C. A. Matthews, W. W. Swett, and M. H. Fohrman. Bureau of Dairy Industry. [34] p., illus. (T 989.) Price 15¢. **FOR SALE ONLY.**[1]

The purpose of this publication is to report the results of studies conducted by the Bureau of Dairy Industry to determine the relationships between udder weight or capacity and producing ability as affected by age, stage of lactation or dry period, and breed.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Deterioration of egg quality during marketing. Production and Marketing Administration. 10 p., illus. (PA 79.)

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Report of the Administrator of the Commodity Exchange Authority, 1949. J. M. Mehl. 22 p. Price 10¢. FOR SALE ONLY.[1]

Report of the Chief of the Office of Plant and Operations, 1949. Arthur B. Thatcher. 15 p. Price 5¢. FOR SALE ONLY.[1]

Report of the Chief of the Soil Conservation Service, 1949. H. H. Bennett. 84 p. Price 20¢. FOR SALE ONLY.[1]

Report of the Solicitor to the Secretary of Agriculture, 1949. W. Carroll Hunter. 36 p. Price 15¢. FOR SALE ONLY.[1]

Use the land and save the soil. R. H. Musser. Soil Conservation Service. 16 p., illus. (PA 71.)

PERIODICALS

The agricultural situation. Vol. 33, No. 12. December 1949. Price 5¢ a copy, 50¢ a year, domestic; 70¢ a year, foreign.[1]

Bibliography of agriculture. Vol. 13, No. 11. November 1949. Single copies vary in price, $6.00 a year, domestic; $8.00 a year, foreign.[1]

Extension service review. December 1949. Vol. 20, No. 12. Price 10¢ a copy, 75¢ a year, domestic; $1.15 a year, foreign.[1]

Foreign agriculture. December 1949. Vol. XIII, No. 12. Price 15¢ a copy, $1.50 a year, domestic; $2.00 a year, foreign.[1]

News for farmer cooperatives. December 1949. Vol. 16, No. 9. Price 10¢ a copy, $1.00 a year, domestic; $1.40 a year, foreign.[1]

Rural electrification news. December 1949–January 1950. Vol. 15, Nos. 5 and 6. Price 15¢ a copy, 75¢ a year, domestic; $1.00 a year, foreign.[1]

Soil conservation. Vol. XV, No. 5. December 1949. Price 10¢ a copy, $1.00 a year, domestic; $1.50 a year, foreign.[1]

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